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FM AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

TO USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GER//EDJ4/6-SARA-T// PRIORITY

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TAGS : MASS, TC

SUBJECT : TRAINING FOR C-130 PILOTS

REF: (A) ABU DHABI 978 (DTG300855Z MAR 77) (NOTAL),

(B) STATE 073576 (DTG022214Z APR 77) (NOTAL)

1. FOR BENEFIT CINCEUR WHO INADVERTENTLY LEFT OFF AS ADDRESSEE ON ABU DHABI REFTL, REF A REPORTED SOMEWHAT IMPRECISE INQUIRY HERE RE "CONVERSION COURSE" TRAINING FOR TWO UAE PILOTS ON C-130. REF A ALSO NOTED THAT WE UNDERSTOOD CANDIDATES' ENGLISH ONLY FAIR. REF B REPORTED THAT STATE DEPT HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY UAE EMBASSY ON THIS MATTER SEVERAL WEEKS AGO BUT WITH INSUFFICIENT DETAIL. UAE EMBASSY HAD BEEN TOLD OF REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING NEED FOR HIGH SCORE ON ECL TEST AND HAD BEEN ASKED TO OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION. NOTHING MORE HAD BEEN HEARD FROM EMBASSY.

2. APRIL 4 DCM WENT BACK TO UAE AF GHQ AND SPOKE TO OFFICER CONCERNED, COL TALAL. DCM EXPLAINED NEED FOR HIGH LEVEL ENGLISH PROFICIENCY AND ALSO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POINTED OUT THAT C-130 COURSES BOOKED THROUGH THIS FISCAL YEAR. COL. TALAL EXPRESSED CONCERN AT DELAY-- HE STATED UAE AF WANTED PILOTS TO GO IMMEDIATELY. HE ALSO CLAIMED THAT PILOTS IN QUESTION (NUMBER HAS NOW RISEN TO FOUR--TWO TO BE PILOTS, TWO TO BE CO-PILOTS) SPEAK EXCELLENT ENGLISH. FINALLY HE MENTIONED FOR FIRST TIME, THAT UAE AF ALSO WISHED

TO SEND FOUR PERSONS FOR TRAINING IN LOADING/UNLOADING  
AND OTHER CREW OPERATIONS FOR C-130.

3. DCM EXPRESSED VIEW THERE WAS LITTLE THAT  
COULD BE DONE ABOUT AVAILABILITY OF SPACE IN C-130  
COURSES. HE NOTED THAT IN ANY CASE THIS WAS ISSUE  
THAT COULD BE FACED ONCE WE HAD BEEN ABLE TO AD-  
MINISTER ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST AND DETERMINE EXACT  
LEVEL OF FLUENCY OF OFFICERS INVOLVED. IF THEY  
NEEDED ENGLISH TRAINING, QUESTION OF TIMING WOULD  
NO LONGER BE PROBLEM. AT SAME TIME HE UNDERTOOK TO  
INQUIRE ABOUT AVAILABILITY AND CONDITIONS FOR CREW  
TRAINING--INCLUDING ENGLISH PREREQUISITES FOR SUCH  
PROGRAM. ONCE ALL INFORMATION AT HAND FURTHER DE-  
CISIONS COULD BE MADE.

4. COMMENT: UAE AF DEFINITELY WANTS TO PROCEED WITH  
THIS TRAINING IN US--TOTAL OF FOUR PILOTS AND FOUR  
CREW. THEY HOPE THAT ALL EIGHT CAN PROCEED TOGETHER  
AND THEY CLEARLY WISH IT TAKE PLACE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.  
FINALLY, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT FUTURE REQUESTS WILL GO  
THROUGH UAE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON SINCE GHQ IS UN-  
HAPPY WITH TIME LOST.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) RE ECL TEST, DCM HAS SPOKEN  
WITH CINCEUR OFFICERS (COL. BROMAN AND MR. BREWER)  
PREVIOUSLY ABOUT GENERAL SUBJECT OF ECL TESTING.  
DCM HAS ALSO ADMINISTERED SUCH TESTS IN PREVIOUS  
ASSIGNMENT. IN SHORT, WE CAN GIVE TEST HERE. BUT WE  
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ARE CURRENTLY LACKING TESTING MATERIALS. DCM PLANNING  
TRIP TO WIESBADEN APRIL 5 FOR MEDICAL REASONS, RE-  
TURNING PROBABLY EVENING APRIL 7. HE WILL BE STAYING  
AT AMERICAN ARMS HOTEL IN WIESBADEN. WOULD IT BE  
POSSIBLE TO GET ECL TEST MATERIAL DELIVERED TO HIM  
THERE? IF NOT, CAN CINCEUR POUCH IT BY FASTEST  
AVAILABLE MEANS. (B) FOR CINCEUR OR DEPT, PLEASE  
PROVIDE ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON COURSES FOR  
C-130 CREW MEMBERS. ALSO PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER IT  
REMOTELY FEASIBLE FOR ALL EIGHT UAE AF PERSONNEL TO  
PLAN TO UNDERGO TRAINING TOGETHER.  
DICKMAN

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